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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit: 1638
Examiner: Ms. Elizabeth F. McElwain

In Re PATENT APPLICATION OF

Applicant(s) : DUHOT et al.

Appln. No. : 09/542,546

Filed : April 3, 2000

Conf. No. : 4816

For : METHOD FOR PRODUCING
BRANCHED FATTY ACIDS USING
GENETICALLY MODIFIED PLANTS

Atty. Dkt. : 31640-159397

**NOTICE
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January 16, 2004

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board Of Patent Appeals And Interferences from the decision of July 18, 2003 of the Primary Examiner, Ms. Elizabeth F. McElwain, finally rejecting claims 1, 2, 12, 13, 17-21, 23, 30 and 31-34. Accompanying this Notice of Appeal is the appeal fee of \$330.

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants request a three-month extension of time. A third extension fee is now due and a check in the amount of \$1,280 (Appeal fee \$330 and Extension of time fee \$950), is attached.

Should no check be attached or should any additional fee be deemed due, please

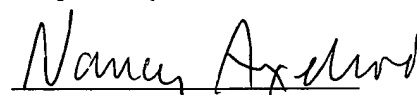
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charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 22-0261 and advise us accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Nancy Axelrod". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

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